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Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 63/210 of 19 December 2008,

Recalling also the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled "The future we want",[1]

Bearing in mind the growing role of the transit of energy in global processes,

Recognizing the important role of transportation hubs for the reliable and stable transit of energy to international markets,

Noting that stable, efficient and reliable energy transportation, as a key factor of sustainable development, is in the interest of the entire international community,

Welcoming efforts at the national, bilateral, subregional, regional and international levels in building energy transportation systems, and facilitating the trade of energy resources to promote sustainable development,

Recognizing the importance of addressing the special needs of landlocked developing countries, inter alia, by establishing and promoting efficient transit transportation systems that link them to the international markets, and in this regard,

[1] Resolution 66/288, annex.

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reaffirming that the Almaty Programme of Action[2] constitutes a fundamental framework for genuine partnerships between landlocked and transit developing countries and their development partners at the national, bilateral, subregional, regional and global levels,

Reiterating the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development[3] and of Agenda 21,[4] and recalling the recommendations and conclusions contained in the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development[5] concerning energy for sustainable development,

Noting the outcome of the High-level Conference on Reliable and Stable Transit of Energy and its Role in Ensuring Sustainable Development and International Cooperation, held in Ashgabat on 23 April 2009,

Noting also the launching of the initiative of the Secretary-General "Sustainable Energy for All", which focuses on access to energy, energy efficiency and renewable energies, as well as the decision of the General Assembly to declare the decade 2014-2024 the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Energy for All,[6]

1. *Recognizes* the need for extensive international cooperation for promoting the reliable transportation of energy to international markets through pipelines and other transportation systems;

2. *Welcomes* the proposal of the Government of Turkmenistan to host an international meeting of experts early in 2014 to follow up on the High-level Conference on Reliable and Stable Transit of Energy and its Role in Ensuring Sustainable Development and International Cooperation held in Ashgabat on 23 April 2009;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States and relevant entities of the United Nations system, including regional commissions, on issues relating to the reliable and stable transit of energy, as well as on possible modalities for international cooperation, and to communicate such views in a summary report of the Secretariat to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session for further consideration.

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[2] *Report of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 28 and 29 August 2003* (A/CONF.202/3), annex II.

[3] *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992*, vol. I, *Resolutions Adopted by the Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex I.

[4] Ibid., annex II.

[5] *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August-4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

[6] See resolution 67/215.